

1 Identification

Product identifier

Product name: Methylmercury(II) chloride

Stock number: 37123

CAS Number:
115-09-3

EC number:
204-064-2

Index number:
080-004-00-7

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.

Identified use: SU24 Scientific research and development

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer/Supplier:

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Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department

Emergency telephone number:

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660. After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

2 Hazard(s) identification

Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 2 H300 Fatal if swallowed.
 Acute Tox. 1 H310 Fatal in contact with skin.
 Acute Tox. 2 H330 Fatal if inhaled.



GHS08 Health hazard

Muta. 2 H341 Suspected of causing genetic defects.
 Carc. 2 H351 Suspected of causing cancer.
 Repr. 1B H360-H362 May damage fertility or the unborn child. May cause harm to breast-fed children.
 STOT RE 2 H373 May cause damage to the central nervous system, the kidneys and the eyes through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure: Oral.

Hazards not otherwise classified No information known.

Label elements

GHS label elements The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Hazard pictograms



GHS06 GHS08

Signal word

Danger

Hazard statements

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WHMIS classification

D1A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects
 D2A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects



Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)
(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH	3	Health (acute effects) = 3
FIRE	1	Flammability = 1
REACTIVITY	1	Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.
vPvB: Not applicable.

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3 Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical characterization: Substances

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4 First-aid measures

Description of first aid measures

General information

Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing has been completely removed.

In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.

After inhalation

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After skin contact

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After eye contact Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

After swallowing Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.

Information for doctor

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Fatal if inhaled.

Fatal in contact with skin.

Fatal if swallowed.

Suspected of causing cancer.

May damage fertility or the unborn child.

May cause harm to breast-fed children.

May cause damage to the central nervous system, the kidneys and the eyes through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure: Oral.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed No further relevant information available.

5 Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Mercury oxide

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Hydrogen chloride (HCl)

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions: Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Prevention of secondary hazards: No special measures required.

Reference to other sections

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

7 Handling and storage

Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Open and handle container with care.

Information about protection against explosions and fires: No information known.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Store away from reducing agents.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

Specific end use(s) No further relevant information available.

8 Exposure controls/personal protection

Additional information about design of technical systems:

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

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Control parameters

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

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PEL (USA)	Long-term value: 0.01 mg/m ³ Ceiling limit value: 0.04 mg/m ³ as Hg
REL (USA)	Short-term value: 0.03 mg/m ³ Long-term value: 0.01 mg/m ³ as Hg; Skin
TLV (USA)	Short-term value: 0.03 mg/m ³ Long-term value: 0.01 mg/m ³ as Hg; Skin
EV (Canada)	Short-term value: 0.03 mg/m ³ Long-term value: 0.01 mg/m ³ as Hg, Skin

Additional information: No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Store protective clothing separately.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment: Use self-contained respiratory protective device in emergency situations.

Recommended filter device for short term use:

Use a respirator with type P100 (USA) or P3 (EN 143) cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards.

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves

Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.

The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality. Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Material of gloves: Nitrile rubber, NBR

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes): 480

Glove thickness: 0.11 mm

Eye protection: Safety glasses

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

General Information

Appearance:

Form: Crystalline

Color: White

Odor: Not determined

Odor threshold: Not determined.

pH-value: Not applicable.

Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range: 170 °C (338 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: Not determined

Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

Flammability (solid, gaseous): Not determined.

Ignition temperature: Not determined

Decomposition temperature: Not determined

Auto igniting: Not determined.

Danger of explosion: Not determined.

Explosion limits:

Lower: Not determined

Upper: Not determined

Vapor pressure: Not applicable.

Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 4.06 g/cm³ (33.881 lbs/gal)

Relative density: Not determined.

Vapor density: Not applicable.

Evaporation rate: Not applicable.

Solubility in / Miscibility with

Water: Insoluble

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not determined.

Viscosity:

dynamic: Not applicable.

kinematic: Not applicable.

Other information: No further relevant information available.

10 Stability and reactivity

Reactivity: No information known.

Chemical stability: Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided: Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Possibility of hazardous reactions: Reacts with strong oxidizing agents

Conditions to avoid: No further relevant information available.

Incompatible materials:

Oxidizing agents

Reducing agents

Hazardous decomposition products:

Mercury oxide

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

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Hydrogen chloride (HCl)

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11 Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Fatal if inhaled.
Fatal in contact with skin.
Fatal if swallowed.
Danger through skin absorption.
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for this substance.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:

Oral LD50 29.9 mg/kg (rat)

Skin irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation

Eye irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation

Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

May cause genetic defects.
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for this substance.

Carcinogenicity:

Suspected of causing cancer.
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains tumorigenic and/or carcinogenic and/or neoplastic data for this substance.

Reproductive toxicity:

May damage fertility or the unborn child.
May cause harm to breast-fed children.
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive data for this substance.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure:

May cause damage to the central nervous system, the kidneys and the eyes through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure: Oral.

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: No effects known.

Aspiration hazard: No effects known.

Subacute to chronic toxicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains multiple dose toxicity data for this substance.

Additional toxicological information: To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

Carcinogenic categories

OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration) Substance is not listed.

12 Ecological information

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity: No further relevant information available.

Persistence and degradability: No further relevant information available.

Bioaccumulative potential: No further relevant information available.

Mobility in soil: No further relevant information available.

Ecotoxicological effects:

Remark: Very toxic for aquatic organisms

Additional ecological information:

General notes:

Do not allow product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system, even in small quantities.

Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground.

Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

Very toxic for aquatic organisms

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

Other adverse effects: No further relevant information available.

13 Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

Recommendation: Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

UN-Number

DOT, IMDG, IATA UN2025

UN proper shipping name

DOT Mercury compounds, solid, n.o.s. (Methylmercury(II) chloride)
IMDG, IATA MERCURY COMPOUND, SOLID, N.O.S. (Methylmercury(II) chloride)

Transport hazard class(es)

DOT

Class 6.1 Toxic substances.
Label 6.1
Class 6.1 (T5) Toxic substances
Label 6.1
IMDG, IATA


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Label 6.1

Packing group

DOT, IMDG, IATA I

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Environmental hazards:	Environmentally hazardous substance, solid
Special precautions for user	Warning: Toxic substances
EMS Number:	F-A,S-A
Segregation groups	Heavy metals and their salts (including their organometallic compounds), mercury and mercury compounds
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
Transport/Additional information:	
DOT	
Marine Pollutant (DOT):	No
UN "Model Regulation":	UN2025, Mercury compounds, solid, n.o.s. (Methylmercury(II) chloride), 6.1, I

15 Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
GHS label elements The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Hazard pictograms



GHS06 GHS08

Signal word Danger

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National regulations

This product is not listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical Substance Inventory. Use of this product is restricted to research and development only. This product must be used by or directly under the supervision of a technically qualified individual as defined by TSCA. This product must not be used for commercial purposes or in formulations for commercial purposes.

This product is not listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) or the Canadian Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

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California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

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Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

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Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male Substance is not listed.

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006. Substance is not listed.

The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.

Substance is not listed.

Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use) Substance is not listed.

Chemical safety assessment: A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16 Other information

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing SDS: Global Marketing Department

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Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

HMSI: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (USA)

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA)

NTP: National Toxicology Program (USA)

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency (USA)

Acute Tox. 2: Acute toxicity, Hazard Category 2

Acute Tox. 1: Acute toxicity, Hazard Category 1

Muta. 2: Germ cell mutagenicity, Hazard Category 2

Carc. 2: Carcinogenicity, Hazard Category 2

Repr. 1B: Reproductive toxicity, Hazard Category 1B

STOT RE 2: Specific target organ toxicity - Repeated exposure, Hazard Category 2